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S I R :

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated March 18, 2002, please consider the following amendments and remarks set forth below in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith are: (a) a Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for two months from June 18, 2002 to and including August 18, 2002 (which is a Sunday); (b) a Fee Transmittal sheet; (c) an Information Disclosure Statement; and (d) a list of References cited by Applicant with copies of references AE-AM. Also included herewith as Exhibit A is a marked-up version of the specification showing the amendments made. Exhibit B is a marked-up version of the claims showing the amendments made herein. Exhibit C is a clean copy of the claims that will be pending upon entry of the present amendments. Exhibit D is an amino acid sequence comparison between SEQ ID NO:3 and RSU-1; Exhibit E is an amino acid sequence comparison between SEQ ID NO:3 and FLI-1; and Exhibit F is a multiple alignment of SEQ ID NOS:1 and 3 with LRR regions of various proteins.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 13, line 28 to page 14, line 19, please delete the paragraph that begins with "The invention encompasses highly related gene homologs of the SGT4 encoding polynucleotide sequences described above" and replace it with:

--The invention encompasses highly related gene homologs of the SGT4 encoding polynucleotide sequences described above. Highly related gene homologs are polynucleotides encoding proteins that are at least 30% identical, or at least 40% identical,

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